

Assessment Directors Meeting
November 8, 2007

1. Submission deadlines– refer to chart

Submitting files
Receiving Reports
Error Reports

2. Ordering system- Yalin Kececi

3. Direct Writing Assessment Reminders

- Scoring rubric and examples of student responses:
www.schools.utah.gov/assessment/info_dwa.aspx
- One prompt for 6th grade, and one prompt for 9th grade
- Ensure students have as much time as needed during the one administration session (untimed assessment).
- #2 lead pencil, no pens
- Districts are responsible for transcribing onto the answer document all Braille and other accommodated responses.
- Assessment window will open on Monday, February 11th and close on Monday, March 3rd.
- For ordering information, please contact Sarah Moore at sarah.moore@schools.utah.gov.

4. 1%- Wendy Carver

An unintended consequence of requiring districts to complete an exemption if they go over 1% **proficiency** on Utah's Alternate Assessment (UAA) is that many districts are considering how to decrease the number of students who are assessed using the UAA. There is no restriction on the number of students who can take the UAA (participation), just proficiency. I would not be too concerned about going over 1% in the future. If the UAA is the appropriate assessment for a student then that student should take the UAA even if it takes the district over 1%. All that happens if you go over 1% is that at a district level (not student or school level), is that the scores over 1% are converted to non-proficient. The student's score still says proficient and so does the school score. If you were one student over the 1%, then the overall proficiency score would be one less. Assuming that the scores of students who take the UAA would be non-proficient on the CRT and any scores over 1% would be non-proficient, the score would be non-proficient in either case.

If you have questions, please contact me at wendy.carver@schools.utah.gov or (801) 538-7639

5. UALPA – Refer to UALPA handout

- SEA determines the Title III assessment. If your district chooses not to administer the UALPA, please notify Associate Superintendent Brenda Hales or her secretary so that Title III funds are not sent to your district
- Use of UALPA results – value in results. Like CRTs can use or not use data.

6. UBSCT- do not administer the test to 10th graders before February.

7. CBT commitment- Julie

Lower than the 50% - districts have underestimated the number of CRTs they'll be doing.

Some districts and charter schools have not yet reported their CBT testing.

8. Iowa- Data to Districts November 21. State Data will be released Jan. 10.

Access for core codes and CRT correlation send in e-mail

9. On Curriculum web site